

**St. Johns Public Schools
St. Johns, Michigan
Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Held on November 12, 2018**

The St. Johns Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, November 12, 2018, at Oakview South Elementary School. President Darragh called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present: Darragh, Dedyne, Drabek, Kirk, Nelson, Tennant, Watson, and Student Representative Ernst, Student Representative Pung

ATTENDANCE

Members Absent: None

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Watson, to approve the agenda. Agenda approved as presented.

AGENDA APPROVED

Motion by Member Dedyne, support by Member Kirk, to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from the meeting held on October 22, 2018. Motion approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF
MINUTES**

Superintendent Palmer introduced Student Representative Alex Palmer, and incoming Board of Education member Tim Jackson, to the Board of Education.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The district's literacy coaches and math coaches, Jennifer Newman, Ellen Mar, John Ferden Principal Jim Alspaugh provided the Board of Education an update on the district's elementary literacy and math programs.

**PRESENTATION
ELEMENTARY
LITERACY AND
MATH REVIEW**

Superintendent Palmer provided the Board of Education with the latest member appointment for the Briggs District Library Board.

**REPORTS AND
INFORMATION
Briggs District
Library Board
Appointment Request**

Superintendent Palmer provided the Board of Education with information on the need to have our entire course list, for all grade levels, approved. This approval is necessary to fulfill pupil accounting requirements.

**Curriculum Course
List**

Director of Business and Finance Kelly Corbett provided the Board of Education with information on a proposed change of the district's 403(b) Third Party Administrator, as well as additional options for the district employees.

**403(b) Third Party
Administrator**

Curriculum Director Jason Gnegy provided the Board of Education with information on the Fountas & Pinnell Phonics, Spelling and Word Study program that the district's Literacy Team has been researching.

**Elementary Phonics
Program**

Motion by Member Kirk, support by Member Drabek, to approve the consent grouping Number VIII, A1, A2, and B1. Motion approved unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF
CONSENT
GROUPING
ITEMS**

Approved the hiring of Monica Dubendorf and Monica Koch – Little Wings Child Care Providers.

**Staffing New Hire
Approval**

Approved the resignation of Laurie Walters – Gateway North Food Service Staff.

**Staffing Resignation
Approval**

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Kirk, that the St. Johns Board of Education approves the recommendation to purchase two International Propane Buses in the amount of \$190,378.00 from Midwest Transit, as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

**ACTION ITEMS
Bus Purchase Bid
Recommendation
Approval**

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Dedyne, that the St. Johns Board of Education approves the High School French Class trip to France, from March 19-29, 2019, as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

**High School French
Class Trip to France**

Motion by Member Drabek, support by Member Kirk, to accept the resignation of Al Nelson as a member of the Board of Education. Motion approved unanimously.

**Board Member
Resignation
Acceptance**

Member Nelson commented that it has been a pleasure to serve on the Board of Education for the past several years.

**BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT**

**STUDENT
REPRESENTATIVE'S
REPORT**

**PUBLIC AND BOARD
COMMENTS**

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Dedyne, Secretary
St. Johns Board of Education